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Cleaning of Oxygen Concentrator			

PURPOSE

Important maintenance activity performed by licensed nurse on a weekly basis.

PROCEDURE:

CLEANING AND CHANGING THE AIR INLET FILTER

Cleaning the air inlet filter should be done once a week

1. Remove the filter from the concentrator.
2. Rinse and wash the filter in warm water (a mild detergent may be used if rinsed thoroughly).
3. Squeeze out excess water and allow filter to air dry. **The filter should be completely dry before using again.** Excess moisture may impair the proper operation of the device.
4. Place newly laundered filter in mesh bag attached to machine to air dry.
5. Reinsert the dry filter in the concentrator.

CLEANING AND STORAGE OF DEVICE

1. The exterior case of the device should also be cleaned.
2. Caviwipe – germicidal disposable cloths weekly.
3. Clean the exterior case and both filters between residents.
4. Identify facility equipment as clean with CLEAN label. Rented units are cleaned and maintained by Home Oxygen personnel.